

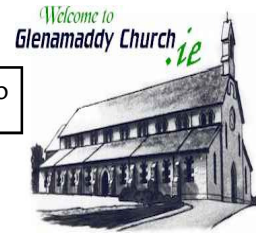
Glenamaddy Parish Newsletter



Alleluia
He is
Risen

12th April 2020
Easter Sunday

Church Radio
106.6 FM



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Saturday 11th April

7pm

John Concannon, Ballyhard
Decd Collins family, Ballyhard,
Decd Mulryan family, Clondoyle
Decd Gill family, Ballyhard.
Daniel & Mary Connelly and their
sons Tommy & Willie,
Ballinamona

Weekdays

Mon 10am

People of the Parish

Tues 10am

People of the Parish

Wed 10am

People of the Parish

Thurs 10am

People of the Parish

Fri 10am

People of the Parish

Saturday 18th April

7pm

Sean Donelon, Middletown—
1st anniv.
Seamus O'Hagan, Boyounagh—
1st anniv.
Dan Brennan, Scotland & decd.
Brennan & Gannon families.
Patrick & Mary Gilmore & their
parents & decd., Ballinagrally

Please pray for Fr Dan O'Brien, SMA priest and
Mary Gordon, Kilkerrin mother of Aileen Geraghty,
Kilkerrin Road and Olivia Walsh, Ardeevin who
died during the week.

MASSES AND PRIESTS IN OUR CLUSTER AREA OF GLENAMADDY

Saturday	Glenamaddy	7.00pm
	Kiltevena	7.30pm
	Clonberne	7.30pm
Sunday	Garrafrauns	10am
	Williamstown	10.30am
	Kilkerrin	11am
	Dunmore	11.30am

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Fr. Fergal Cunnane (093) 38124

Fr. Tommie Commins (094) 9659212

PARISH BAPTISMAL DATES: All dates suspended for the moment: Attendance at a Baptism meeting by the parents is necessary and these meetings will take place the Wednesday before the Baptism. Also a copy of your child's Birth Certificate is required and two weeks notice. To book your child's Baptism please phone (087) 2805241.

CHURCH INCOME LAST WEEKEND €

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, DUNMORE helpline (086) 4169828

GLENAMADDY BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP is a parish based group ministry whose aim is to help those bereaved and grieving. If at any time you feel a need to talk we are here to listen.

Adoration every Monday 9am-12noon & 6pm-10pm (except Bank Holidays) in Convent
Divine Mercy Devotions at 3pm every Friday.

Padre Pio Devotions 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

Marriage and Family Life Adoration 2nd day of each month 7pm-8pm.

Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Service 1st Saturday of the month

**ALL
CANCELLED
AT PRESENT**



Lord, bless our Parish community at this difficult time. Give me patience with myself and others so that I will not make these times any more difficult than they already are. Grant me that ability to acknowledge my fears so that I will not hide from acting in a responsible manner. Give me courage to overcome any selfishness that hinders my concern for others. Grant me grace to reach out to others by safe means and in a helpful way. Give me courage when I am feeling lonely and the knowledge that isolation is a good thing for now and that I am never fully alone. Grant me the gifts of kindness, patience and love. Give me your blessing: In the name of the Father, the Son, and The Holy Spirit. Amen.

THE PARISH OFFICE is closed but we are taking calls for anyone who wants to book a Mass, get Mass cards, queries about Sunday collections or any other general office enquiries. Please phone Breda on 087 2805241.

SUNDAY COLLECTION/PRIEST'S COLLECTION ENVELOPES –I have had a lot of enquiries this week concerning the Sunday envelopes. If you like please place them into the letterbox in the Parochial House in Glenamaddy. You can also continue to make your contribution into the Sunday envelope every week and when Masses/church services resume, please bring the church envelopes to the church. Or if you prefer you can pay on line into the following account quoting your Sunday Collection Box Number.

Ulster Bank

Account No 24051052

Sort Code 98-57-80

IBAN IE78ULSB98578024051052

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CONFESSIONS: A MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS.

Many people today would tell me, “Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor, because I can’t leave the house? And I want to make peace with the Lord. I want him to embrace me. I want the Father’s embrace.” The pope said his response would be; “Do what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says. It is very clear. If you cannot find a priest to confess to, speak directly with God your father, and tell him the truth. Say, ‘Lord, I did this, this, this. Forgive me,’ and ask for pardon with all your heart.” Make an act of contrition and promise God, “I will go to confession afterward, but forgive me now.” And immediately you will return to a state of grace with God.” The Catechism of the Catholic Church, N. 1453, says: “When it arises from a love by which God is loved above all else, contrition is called ‘perfect’ contrition of charity. Such contrition remits venial sins; it also obtains forgiveness of mortal sins if it includes the firm resolution to include having recourse to sacramental confession as soon as possible.” “As the catechism teaches, you can draw near to God’s forgiveness without having a priest at hand. Think about it. This is the moment.”

WHAT TO DO IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

The message of the Cross of Jesus, the message of every cross is that there is strength in weakness. There is no shame in being needy. There is no shame in crying out for help. Yet Jesus’ final lesson is the most difficult to follow. We hate to be needy, we hate to ask for help. When I look at the relatively few crosses that have been part of my life or when I reflect on the crosses that others have been asked to carry, one thing is certain: Those crosses were never carried alone. We all need and have been blessed with a Simon of Cyrene, who helps carry the crosses that enter our lives. Jesus cried out, “I am thirsty” when life turns dark we need to follow the example of Jesus and ask for help. When the cross enters our lives, we should reach out for help. Jesus got sour wine, but it was enough. The help we get might be very ordinary. A friend may sit with us and listen to our troubles. A teacher might give us a little extra help. A priest may raise his hand to extend absolution. A neighbour may comfort a huge person who is numb with grief. A good friend might bring over a casserole or a sinfully rich dessert. A brother might sit on the back steps and share a beer. A sister might cry with you and help you smile in recalling the better days. Our crosses have the power to weigh us down, to crush us, but they can also be invitations to ask for help. A shared cross is always lighter. Jesus helped all who came to Him in need, but before He could say “It is finished” He needed to open up and ask His executioners for help. Our lives will never be finished or fulfilled until we learn to receive help as freely as we give it. Our Parish and indeed all Parishes are experiencing terrible pain and heartache with the fall-out from Covid-19. People have been fantastic in creating a caring and loving presence in helping all of us cope with the severe restrictions. Jesus Son of the Living God, help us follow Your example and ask for help when the Cross or the shadow of the Cross enters our lives. I am carrying your intentions to my daily Mass and prayers. We will, with the help of God get through this. Easter blessings to you and yours. Fr Paddy.

DIVINE MERCY NOVEANA which Jesus gave to St. Faustiana, started in Williamstown on Good Friday. Our Lord gave her this very powerful prayer, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which He wants everyone to say, promising extraordinary graces for reciting this special prayer. The chaplet can be said every day and Our Lord specifically requested that it be recited as a Novena leading up to the feast of Divine Mercy, which is Sunday 19th April. This Novena of Chaplets can be offered for our own personal intentions, or as a Novena to the Divine Mercy, for the daily intentions as on the leaflets. These leaflets are freely available in Smyths shop, Williamstown. The Novena will be recited and broadcast on local radio 106.6FM from Williamstown church on Holy Saturday at 6pm with the rosary and thereafter every evening at 8pm.